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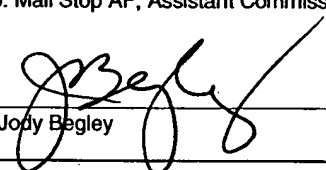
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WASHING AND DRYING PINS IN
MICROARRAY SPOTTING INSTRUMENTS

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action of July 16, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.